

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

**HOT TOPIC, INC. and
HOT TOPIC INC.
WELFARE BENEFIT
PLAN**

PLAINTIFFS

v.

Case No. 1:20-cv-00217-LG-RHW

**CARYN SUZANNE
MACFADDEN
*as the Parent and Legal
Guardian of E.M.***

DEFENDANT

consolidated with

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
GUARDIANSHIP OF E.M.
*by and through mother and next
friend, Caryn Suzanne MacFadden***

PLAINTIFF

v.

Case No. 1:20-cv-00223-HSO-JCG

**UNITED HEALTHCARE
SERVICES, INC.**

DEFENDANT

ORDER CONSOLIDATING CASES

THIS MATTER is before the Court *sua sponte*. The Court finds that in the interest of judicial economy and to simplify the issues, the above causes of action should be consolidated for all purposes pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42 as they appear at this juncture to involve common questions of law and fact.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that *Hot Topic, Inc. et al v. Macfadden*, 1:20-cv-00217-LG-RHW and *In the matter of the Guardianship of E.M. v. United Healthcare Services, Inc.*, 1:20-cv-00223-HSO-JCG are hereby consolidated under the

earlier filed cause number of 1:20-cv-00217-LG-RHW. All further pleadings shall be filed in 1:20-cv-00217-LG-RHW.

SO ORDERED, this the 15th day of July, 2020.

s/ John C. Gargiulo

JOHN C. GARGIULO
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE